

INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM

<u>CITY/TOWN</u>	<u>COMMENCE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF SIGNATURES</u>	<u>CHARTER SECTION</u>
BARRINGTON	Any 5 qualified voters	20% of total number of qualified voters	Sec. 16-2-10 Initiative and Referendum
BRISTOL	150 qualified electors may petition council to enact ordinance	If council fails to act, petition of 1,000 qualified electors can force vote by electors	Sec. 503 Initiative
		Petition of 1,000 qualified electors can force a referendum vote on ordinance enacted by town council	Sec. 504 Referendum
CRANSTON	20% of qualified electors may petition council to enact ordinance	If council fails to act, petition of an additional 5% of qualified electors can force a vote	Sec. 3.23 Voter Initiative
CUMBERLAND		4% of the electors may petition council to hold a referendum on proposed ordinance	Sec. 1711 Participation by the Voters
EAST GREENWICH	Any 5 qualified electors	5% of the total number of electors to propose ordinance; if council fails to act, petition of 10% of electors can force vote by electors	Sec. 3400 Initiative and Referendum
EXETER	Any 5 qualified electors	10% of the total number of electors	Sec. 203 Initiative and Referendum

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GLOCESTER		10% of the number of persons registered to vote	Article XIV Section 15 Initiative
HOPKINTON	Any 5 qualified electors	5% of the total number of electors; if council fails to act, 10% of total number of electors requires submission to registered electors	Sec. 3400 Initiative and Referendum
JAMESTOWN		10% of the number of persons registered to vote	Sec. 219 Initiative Procedure
		If council provides in an ordinance that it be submitted to the electors for approval or rejection	Sec. 220 Referendum Procedure
LITTLE COMPTON	Any 5 qualified electors	10% of the electors registered to vote	Sec. 203 Initiative and Referendum
MIDDLETOWN		10% of the number of persons registered to vote	Sec. 402 Initiative Procedure
		If council provides that an ordinance be submitted to the electors for approval or rejection	Sec. 403 Referendum Procedure
NARRAGANSETT		12% of the number of voters in the last regularly scheduled general election, but not less than 750	Sec. 1-4-2 Initiative Petition
		If council fails to act upon, rejects, or passes in altered form the initiated petition, it is submitted to voters	Sec. 1-4-5 Referendum Ballot

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NEWPORT		10% of the number of persons registered to vote at the last regular municipal election	Sec. 2-13 Power of Initiative
		<i>same as above</i>	Sec. 2-14 Power of Referendum
NORTH KINGSTOWN		10% of the number of persons registered to vote at the last regular town election	Sec. 1402 Initiative Procedure
		If the council provides in an ordinance it enacts that the ordinance be submitted to the electors for approval or rejection	Sec. 1403 Referendum
NORTH SMITHFIELD	500 qualified electors may petition council to enact an ordinance	If council fails to enact proposed ordinance, a petition by an additional 5% of the qualified electors can force a vote at next general election	Article XVI Section 17 Right to Enact Ordinances
PAWTUCKET		10% of the number of registered electors, with at least 5% of the electors from each of the 6 wards of the city	Article VI Chapter 2 Initiative
PORTSMOUTH		20% of the number of persons registered to vote can petition council to consider ordinance; if council fails to enact, ordinance must be submitted to voters	Sec. 911 Voters Initiative

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PROVIDENCE		1,000 qualified electors can petition city council to consider ordinance; if council fails to enact, petition by an additional 5% of qualified electors will require ordinance be submitted to voters	Sec. 209 The Initiative
SMITHFIELD	Any 5 qualified voters	10% of the total number of registered voters at last regular election; if the council fails to enact, it must submit the the proposed ordinance to the voters of the town	Article VIII Sec. 8.01 to Sec. 8.07 Initiative and Referendum
WARREN	Any 5 qualified electors	10%, but not less than 500, of total number of electors registered at most recent general election. If council fails to adopt, it must be submitted to the voters of the town	Sec. 2.02 Initiative and Referendum
WEST GREENWICH	Any 5 electors	15% of the electors registered to vote; if council fails to enact, council shall cause proposed ordinance to be placed before the electors	Sec. 204 Initiative and Referendum

